AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

The following claim set replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (currently amended) A process for preserving fresh post harvest produce comprising the step of coating the an exterior surface of the post harvest produce with a coating composition comprising an aqueous emulsion of from about 0.25 to 25% by weight of the polyvinylidene chloride copolymer, and from about 0.0005 to 10% by weight nonionic surfactant.
- 2. (currently amended) A process as set forth in claim 1, wherein the polyvinylidene chloride copolymer consists of is formed of co-monomers selected from the group consisting of polyvinylidene chloride-co-, acrylic acid, styrene, vinyl chloride, or combinations of the aforementioned co-monomers and combinations thereof.
- 3. (currently amended) A process <u>as</u> set forth in claim 1, wherein the <u>nonionic</u> surfactant is <u>at least one selected from the group consisting of octylphenol ethoxylates, nonylphenol ethoxylates, and Triton-X45, Tergitol, and polysorbates or dioctyl sedium sulfesuccinate.</u>
- 4. (currently amended) A process as set forth in claim 1 wherein the coating composition includes from about 0.05 to about 0.1% by weight of an antimicrobial antimicrobrials.
- 5. (currently amended) A process as set forth in claim 1 wherein the coating composition includes from about 50 to about 1000 parts per billion of a fungicide fungicides.
- 6. (original) A process as set forth in claim 1 wherein the coating composition includes about 0.005 to 0.1% polydimethylsiloxane.

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7. - 11. (cancelled)

12. (new) A process for preserving post harvest produce comprising coating an exterior surface of the post harvest produce with a produce-preserving effective amount of a coating composition comprising an aqueous emulsion of polyvinylidene chloride copolymer, and at least one non-ionic surfactant which is selected from the group consisting of octylphenol ethoxylates, nonylphenol ethoxylates, and polysorbates.